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1. CHIEF MAAG FRANCE DISCUSSED SUBJECT WITH APPROPRIATE MOD REPS, WHO CONFIRMED FRENCH DECISION TO WITHDRAW EARLIER OFFER TO SUPPORT NATO HAWK FIRINGS FROM CENTRE D'ESSAIS MEDITERRANEE (CEM). MOD REPS MADE CLEAR, HOWEVER, THAT THIS DECISION APPLIES SOLELY TO FUTURE LOT ACCEPTANCE FIRINGS WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF NHPLO AND DOES NOT AFFECT UTILIZATION BY US FORCES OF FRENCH FIRING RANGES AS COVERED BY ANNUAL BILATERAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN GOF AND THE US. (FOR EXAMPLE, FOR 1975, GOF APPROVED TWO PERIODS FOR US NAVY USE OF CEM FOR MISSILE FIRING AND HAVE APPROVED A SIMILAR REQUEST FOR CY 1976.

2. WE RECOMMEND THAT REQUESTS BY US FOR ADDITIONAL USE OF CEM-TYPE FACILITIES IN FRANCE BE PROVIDED TO USCINCEUR FOR INCLUSION IN ANNUAL REQUEST FOR EXERCISES AND TRAINING OF US FORCES IN FRANCE, WHICH WILL THEN BE SUBMITTED TO GOF BY EMBASSY IN JUNE TO COVER TRAINING DURING THE SUCCEEDING CALENDAR YEAR. GOF ALLOCATION OF US USE OF FRENCH TRAINING FACILITIES IS BASED ON THIS ANNUAL REQUEST. ONCE FRENCH HAVE MADE ALLOCATIONS BETWEEN THEIR OWN USE, US USE, AND THIRD COUNTRY USE, IT IS DIFFICULT TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL TIME AT FRENCH CEM-TYPE FACILITIES. CONSEQUENTLY, SUPPLEMENTAL REQUESTS (OUTSIDE OF ANNUAL REQUEST CYCLE) WILL BE EXAMINED BY FRENCH ONLY IN VERY EXCEPTIONAL CIRCUMSTANCES.

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